

CHAPTER 391—H. F. No. 503

[Coded as Section 614.66]

An act relating to the use of white painted canes by the blind; amending Laws 1945, Chapter 369.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. Laws 1945, Chapter 369, is amended to read:

[614.66] Section 1. **Blind persons carrying white canes.** Subdivision 1. **Limit on carrying.** It shall be unlawful for any person to carry a white painted cane unless said person is a blind person.

Sec. 2. Subd. 2. **Blind persons have right of way.** Any person operating a motor vehicle in this state shall bring such motor vehicle to a stop and give the right of way at any intersection of any street, avenue, alley or other public highway to a blind person carrying a white painted cane when such blind person enters said intersection by holding out his white cane *with the arm extended.*

Sec. 3. Subd. 3. **Violation and penalty.** Any person violating any provision of this Act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Approved April 12, 1949.

CHAPTER 392—H. F. No. 623

An act to amend Section 219.96 Minnesota Statutes 1945 relative to carrying of tools on railroad cars.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

219.96. Section 1. **Fire extinguishers and tools.** Every company operating a railroad in the state shall keep, at each end of each passenger and sleeping car, run or operated by it, therein, fire extinguishers of good and approved construction, in good condition for use and in a safe and convenient position, and in each car one saw and one axe to be kept inside of

the car, in convenient places for use in case of accident. *Provided, the saw and axe above mentioned shall not be required on cars of steel construction.*

Approved April 12, 1949.

CHAPTER 393—H. F. No. 699

An act relating to the education of handicapped children; amending Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 131.12.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1945, Section 131.12, is amended to read:

131.12. **Special classes; crippled children.** Upon application made to *him* by any school district complying with the provisions of this section and section 128.13, *the commissioner of education* may grant permission to such district to establish and maintain within *or beyond* its limits one or more classes for the instruction of crippled children *over four years of age* who are residents of the state, and to provide for instruction in the home *or in a hospital or sanatorium* for crippled children who are not in physical condition to attend such special classes.

For the purposes of this section, any child of school age, other than one of defective hearing *or* speech is physically impaired in body or limb and so that he cannot profitably or safely be educated in the regular classes as *are* other children, *but who is mentally capable of benefiting by such training, as determined by the standards of the state board of education, is* considered crippled and *is* required to attend such classes, unless excused because of *any conditions* making attendance undesirable, or to receive such instruction in the home *or in a hospital or sanatorium.*

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CHAPTER 394—H. F. No. 736

[Coded as Section 444.075]

An act relating to main sewers and sewage disposal plants, and the building, construction, reconstruction, repair, enlarge-